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DETAILED ACTION

1. The indicated allowability of claims 1-20 set forth in the previous action mailed 18 April 2005 is withdrawn in view of the disclosure of the reference(s) contained within Suzuki et al. (US 5,746,730) and Otsubo et al. (US 6,666,851) and prosecution is reopened in view of the following new ground of rejection. Rejections based on the cited reference(s) have been provided in the second non-final rejection found in the Office Action dated 11 July 2005.

2. Prosecution on the merits of this application is reopened on claims 1-20 considered unpatentable for the reasons indicated below: After further consideration, Claims 1 and 6-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Suzuki et al. (US 5,746,730), claims 2-3, 11-13, and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suzuki et al. (US 5,746,730), and claims 4-5, 8-10, 14-15 and 17-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Suzuki et al. (US 5,746,730) as applied to claim 1, and further in view of Otsubo et al. (US 6,666,851).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Laura C. Hill whose telephone number is 571-272-7137. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday (off every other Friday).

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